

THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
JOINT SUBSIDIARY PLANS DIVISION

9 September 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

Subject: Role of the Military in PSB Matters.

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to show:
 - a. The general authority for, and the procedures whereby, the Department of Defense furnishes support to the Office of Policy Coordination, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA/OPC).
 - b. The action taken in support of Psychological Strategy Board (PSB) programs.
 - c. The status of the supporting plans for PSB programs.
2. Military Support for CIA/OPC. The authority and the procedures for CIA/OPC to obtain full support from the Department of Defense and the chronological order in which they are developed are outlined below.

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a. The Secretary of Defense in a memorandum for the Director of Central Intelligence stated the position of the Department of Defense with respect to the principles on which the latter would support covert operations of CIA.

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b. The Director of Central Intelligence in a memorandum for the Secretary of Defense stated that the above principles were generally agreeable to CIA. Those principles provide, therefore, the guidance for Department of Defense support to CIA in these matters.

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c. The Charter of the Joint Subsidiary Plans Division requires coordination among the individual Services in furnishing to the Office of Policy Coordination:

- (1) Training facilities.
- (2) Organizational, materiel, logistical and supply services.
- (3) Operations Support.

d. The Charter of the Joint Subsidiary Plans Division also states that the Departments of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force will provide the necessary operational support for psychological warfare and covert operations in conformity with the established procedures in effect for supporting approved joint plans.

Approximately March 1951

e. The Army, Navy, and Air Force, by separate letters of instructions, directed commanders to furnish logistical assistance to the Central Intelligence Agency on a reimbursable basis and prescribed the procedure to be followed.

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f. The Commander in Chief, Far East (CINCFE), was directed to exercise direct command over the conduct of those covert operations in support of combat operations in which U.S. forces are engaged (Korea). For all other covert operations undertaken within or without CINCFE's command, the senior Central Intelligence Agency representative will continue to operate under orders of the Director of Central Intelligence, but will provide CINCFE with timely information to insure local coordination and support, and to avoid any action which in CINCFE's judgment might interfere with or hamper the pursuit of his mission. Thus:

(1) The planning, execution, and logistical support of unconventional warfare in Korea is the responsibility of CINCFE.

(2) The planning, execution, and logistical support of covert operations in contiguous areas is the responsibility of the Director of Central Intelligence.

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g. The Joint Chiefs of Staff, in a memorandum to the Director of Central Intelligence and to commanders, prescribed the mechanism for coordination of CIA activities, both with the Joint Chiefs of Staff and with theater commanders, and authorized direct contact with the Joint Chiefs of Staff and commanders for obtaining support for CIA activities.

h. Military support for CIA/OPC approved plans which cannot be obtained from the local military commander, should be referred to the Department of Defense by the Director of Central Intelligence in accordance with the above cited procedures.

3. Support for PSB Programs. To date five PSB programs have been referred to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, namely D-7c, D-11b, D-14c, D-15b, and J-19d.

a. PSB D-11b was received by the Joint Chiefs of Staff for information and guidance on 29 November 1951, and has been used in the revision of War Plans.

b. PSB D-7c was forwarded to CINCPAC 9 January 1952, for information and guidance. He was informed at that time that his responsibilities for covert operations contained in the 17 August dispatch remained unchanged.

c. PSB J-19d, less Annex "G" (Covert), was forwarded to CINCPAC 11 January 1952, for his consideration in the development of plans for the conduct of psychological warfare in support of his military operations. Annex "G" (Amended) was forwarded to CINCPAC 1 June 1952, for his information and appropriate use. At the same time provision was made for coordination with other agencies operating in contiguous areas.

d. PSB D-14c was received by the Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff, on 12 April 1952. It was not feasible to process this program prior to the appointment of a U.S. Commander in Chief, Europe, which was accomplished on 1 August 1952. The implementing action has been prepared by the Joint Staff, and it is expected to be on the agenda for the Joint Chiefs of Staff early in September.

e. PSB D-15b was received by the Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff, on 21 April 1952. The comments in 3 d, above, also apply to this program.

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4. Status of Support Plans for PSB Programs.

a. PSB D-11b has been used as a guide in the revision of an emergency war plan. Support plans will be prepared by the Commanders under the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

b. PSB D-7c.

(1) The Department of the Army sent PSB D-7c informally to CINCFE on 16 November 1951 for advance information and prior planning. On 26 December 1951, CINCFE forwarded his plan based on PSB D-7c to the Department of Army for review, indicating the action he would take in the event PSB D-7c was implemented.

(2) Formally, the Department of Army forwarded PSB D-7c by direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff to CINCFE on 9 January 1952.

(3) To date, eight (8) plans based on eight (8) different contingencies have been prepared by CINCFE and forwarded to the Army for review. The eight (8) plans are all based on PSB D-7c for overt aspects only.

(4) Between November 1951 and the present, representatives of the Department of Army have made three (3) visits to CINCFE and were informed that CINCFE has prepared detailed plans to carry out the provisions of PSB D-7c if the occasion occurs.

(5) Plans for covert aspects have not been received.

c. PSB J-19d.

(1) The substance of Annexes "B" through "F" of J-19d was forwarded to CINCFE 11 January 1952 for his information and guidance.

(2) Since then, the following detailed plans based on J-19d have been received and reviewed by the Department of the Army:

(a) SEVERANCE - general plan.

(b) HOLDUP - contingency plan.

(c) FRAUD - contingency plan.


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(3) To date, the Department of the Army is not aware of any difficulties being encountered by CINCFE in preparing to execute the overt aspects of J-19d.

(4) An amended version of Annex "G" (Covert) was forwarded to CINCFE approximately 1 June 1952, and a covert support plan is being prepared in his Headquarters. ✓

d. PSB D-11b and D-15b. It will not be necessary to prepare formal support plans for these two programs. A directive from the Joint Chiefs of Staff will prescribe the appropriate action required for their implementation.


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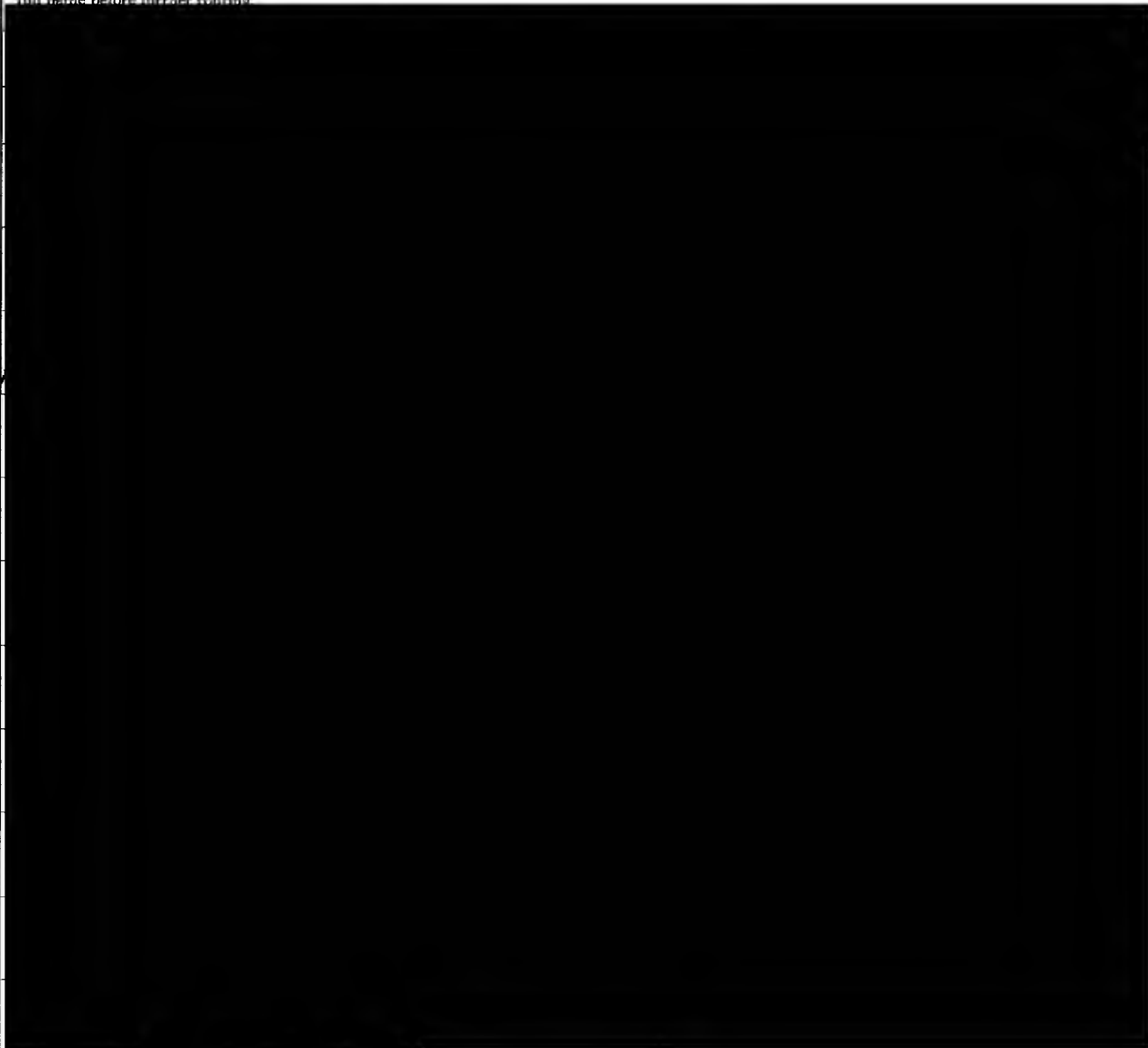
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